

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claim 60 and amend claims 16, 17, 25, 27 and 59 to read as follows:

16. A paper handler, comprising:

an acceleration conveyor for feeding paper at a predetermined speed;

a sensor located directly above the acceleration conveyor to sense a parameter of the paper located upon the acceleration conveyor;

a product conveyor downstream of the acceleration conveyor, the product conveyor being oriented to carry paper in the same direction as the acceleration conveyor;

a transition between the acceleration belt conveyor and the product belt conveyor; and

a blowing system operatively positioned to facilitate carrying the paper across the transition at a speed substantially equal to the predetermined speed.

17. The paper handler of claim 16, further comprising an ejector downstream of the sensor and operably positioned to eject targeted paper crossing the transition.
